



General Assembly

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***Amendment***

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To: Subst. House Bill No. 5102

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***"An Act Proposing Comprehensive Campaign Finance Reform For State-Wide Constitutional Offices And General Assembly Offices."***

1 After section 38, insert the following and renumber the remaining  
2 section accordingly:

3 "Sec. 39. Section 9-333t of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

5 (a) [A] No political committee organized for ongoing political  
6 activities [may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, a  
7 party committee; any national committee of a political party; a  
8 candidate committee; or a committee of a candidate for federal or out-  
9 of-state office] shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for the  
10 benefit of, any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or  
11 election to the office of (1) Governor, in excess of five thousand dollars,  
12 (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State  
13 Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of three thousand dollars,  
14 (3) sheriff, in excess of two thousand dollars, (4) state senator, probate  
15 judge or chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of

16 one thousand dollars, (5) state representative, in excess of five hundred  
17 dollars, or (6) any other office of a municipality not included in  
18 subdivision (4) of this subsection, in excess of two hundred fifty  
19 dollars. The limits imposed by this subsection shall apply separately to  
20 primaries and elections.

21 (b) No such political committee shall make a contribution or  
22 contributions in excess of two thousand dollars to another political  
23 committee in any calendar year except that a political committee  
24 organized by a business entity may make unlimited contributions to,  
25 or for the benefit of, another political committee organized by a  
26 business entity. No political committee organized for ongoing political  
27 activities shall make a contribution in excess of two hundred fifty  
28 dollars to an exploratory committee. If such an ongoing committee is  
29 established by an organization or a business entity, its contributions  
30 shall be subject to the limits imposed by sections 9-333o to 9-333q,  
31 inclusive.

32 (c) No political committee organized for ongoing political activities  
33 shall make a contribution or contributions in any calendar year to (1) a  
34 state central committee, in excess of five thousand dollars, or (2) a  
35 town committee, in excess of one thousand dollars.

36 (d) A political committee organized for ongoing political activities  
37 may make unlimited contributions to a national committee, a  
38 committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state office, and a  
39 charitable organization which is a tax-exempt organization under  
40 Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as from time to time  
41 amended, or make memorial contributions.

42 [(b)] (e) A political committee organized for ongoing political  
43 activities may receive contributions from the federal account of a  
44 national committee, [of a political party,] but may not receive  
45 contributions from any other account of a national committee [of a  
46 political party] or from a committee of a candidate for federal or out-  
47 of-state office.

48 Sec. 40. Section 9-333u of the general statutes is repealed and the  
49 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

50 [(a) A political committee established for a single primary or  
51 election may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, a  
52 party committee or a candidate committee, but no such]

53 (a) No political committee established for a single primary or  
54 election shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit  
55 of, any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or election to  
56 the office of (1) Governor, in excess of five thousand dollars, (2)  
57 Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State  
58 Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of three thousand dollars,  
59 (3) sheriff, in excess of two thousand dollars, (4) state senator, probate  
60 judge or chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of  
61 one thousand dollars, (5) state representative, in excess of five hundred  
62 dollars, or (6) any other office of a municipality not included in  
63 subdivision (4) of this subsection, in excess of two hundred fifty  
64 dollars. The limits imposed by this subsection shall apply separately to  
65 primaries and elections and shall not apply to a political committee  
66 established for a slate of candidates under subsection (b) of section 9-  
67 333f.

68 (b) No political committee established for a single primary or  
69 election shall make contributions to a national committee, or a  
70 committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state office. If such a  
71 political committee is established by an organization or a business  
72 entity, its contributions shall also be subject to the limitations imposed  
73 by sections 9-333o to 9-333q, inclusive. No political committee formed  
74 for a single election or primary shall, with respect to such election or  
75 primary make a contribution or contributions in excess of two  
76 thousand dollars to another political committee, provided no such  
77 political committee shall make a contribution in excess of two hundred  
78 fifty dollars to an exploratory committee.

79        (c) No political committee established for a single primary or  
80        election shall make a contribution or contributions to (1) a state central  
81        committee, in excess of five thousand dollars, or (2) a town committee,  
82        in excess of one thousand dollars.

83        ~~[(b)]~~ (d) A political committee established for a single primary or  
84        election shall not receive contributions from a committee of a  
85        candidate for federal or out-of-state office or from a national  
86        committee."